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In re application of: **WILLIAM DAWSON**

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Examiner: NEIL S. LEVY

For: **RODENTICIDE AND METHOD OF SCREENING**

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REMARKS

The Examiner has issued an Official Action requiring restriction between three groups of inventions. The groups identified by the Examiner are:

Group I: Claims 1-6 and 10-15 drawn to methods of loss;

Group II: Claims 7-9 drawn to methods of water transport;

Group III. Claims 16-27 and 36 drawn to a rodenticide; and

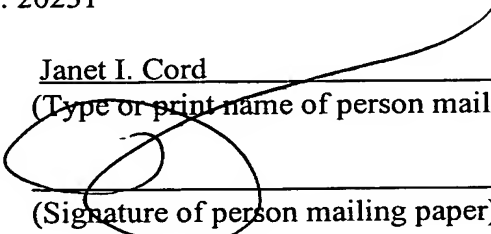
Group IV: Claims 28-35 drawn to method of making.

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Applicants respectfully traverse this restriction requirement.

However, to expedite prosecution applicants elect the claims of group I-Claims 1-6 and 10-15.

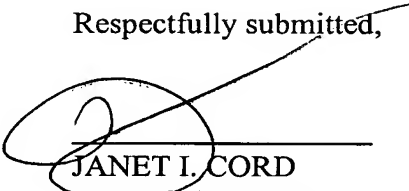
The species of claim 13 is elected for prosecution on the merits.

Claims 1-6 , 10-12 and 14-15 are readable on the species.

Applicants preserve all rights to file one or more divisional applications directed to the subject matter of the nonelected claims and species.

Applicants submit that the present application is in condition for allowance and favorable consideration is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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